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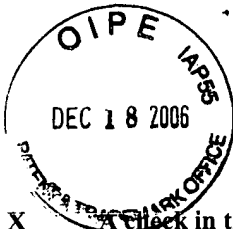
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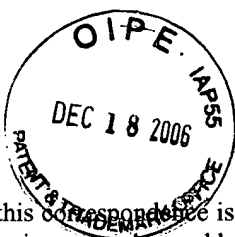
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### AMENDMENT A (37 C.F.R. § 1.111)

Madam:

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed September 26, 2006, for the above-noted patent application.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner do the following with this amendment:

1. Please enter the amendments to the specification, if any, in section I.
2. Please enter the amendments to the claims, if any, in section II.
3. Please consider the specification amendments in section I and the claims in section II in view of the remarks in section III.

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